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Senator Kuipers Sworn into Michigan Senate

(LANSING) – Senator Wayne Kuipers, R-Holland, began his career in the Michigan Senate today by accepting the oath-of-office during an official swearing-in ceremony in the Senate Chambers.

"I am grateful that my family was able to be here to help me celebrate this special occasion," Kuipers said. "This will be an extremely productive year for the state Senate, and I am eager to begin serving the citizens of the 30th Senate District."

The oath-of-office was presided by Michigan Supreme Court Chief Justice Maura D. Corrigan. All 38 members of the Michigan Senate were sworn in during the ceremony.

Kuipers accepted the oath by promising to "support the constitution of the United States and the constitution of the State of Michigan and that I will faithfully discharge the duties of office of Senator according to the best of my ability."

Senator Kuipers was joined at the ceremony by his wife Jodi, their daughters Jenna and Makenzie and his mother and father in-law Judy and Ike DeGraff.

Editor's Note: A downloadable photograph of Senator Kuipers being sworn into the state Senate is available on the Senate photowire at: www.senate.state.mi.us/gop/photowire.

An audio clip of Senator Kuipers being administered the oath-of-office will be available after 3 p.m. the Michigan Senate Hotline at (517) 373-4000.